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Lane Bryant Awards

<u>Year</u> 1968	Agency Nominations None	Agency Winners
1969	None	

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Mr. Jerome E. Klein, Director The Lane Bryant Volunteer Awards '69 465 Fifth Avenue New York, New York 10017

Dear Mr. Klein:

Mr. Helms has asked me to acknowledge your letter of March 7, 1969, and to thank you for your invitation to submit nominations for the Lane Bryant Volunteer Awards.

After careful consideration our senior officials decided that this Agency has no nominee to propose for 1969. I wish to congratulate you and your organisation for the recognition you are giving to individuals for their outstanding contributions to community life.

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Robert S. Wattles Director of Personnel

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THE
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'69

March 7, 1969

Mr. Richard McGarrah Helms Director of Central Intelligence Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D. C. 20505

Dear Mr. Helms:

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Once again we ask your help in seeking out worthy candidates for the Lane Bryant Volunteer Awards. We had many fine nominations from the Washington area last year, and one of the finalists was The Emergency Homes, Inc., of Silver Spring, Maryland.

The attached brochure gives the story of the Awards as well as the nomination procedures. The 1969 Awards will be presented in December at a dinner in Washington, D. C. We hope you read about our most recent successful awards luncheon held at The Shoreham Hotel on December 5, 1968.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

Jerome E. Klein

Director

P. S. If you have made a nomination in the past, this may be our second letter to you. Please forgive us for contacting you again.

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THE TWENTIETH LANE BRYANT VOLUNTEER AWARDS

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Judges who select the recipients of the Lane Bryant Volunteer Awards are chosen from among distinguished Americans representing leadership in government, volunteer work, education, business, religion, and the arts and sciences.

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ROBERT F. GOHEEN President Princeton University



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THE HARLEM SCHOOL OF THE ARTS, INC.

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New York, New York

Self Nominated Sponsored by: Marianne Moore



Screeching sirens—blasting horns—earth shattering rumble of subways—burned out stores—abandoned buildings—street gangs slouched before pool halls and intersections—flashing neon lights—polluted air—garbage overflowing, blowing down streets...

Downbeat, Harlem. What else from a ghetto in New York City? Upbeat, The Harlem School of the Arts.

ust five years ago Dorthy Maynor, a former opera star and protege of Serge Koussevitzky, established The Harlem School of the Arts. Today there are over 400 students with a staff of about 40 teachers, who are paid \$4.00 an hour, well below their normal asking price.

The overall thrust of the school is to show a ghetto child how to look at himself in terms of his capacity for growth. His selfhood tentatively established, he may then switch to something for which he has a definite ability. Practically, the curriculum includes music theory, voice, pre-instrumental classes, instruction on the piano, violin, viola, cello, double bass and clarinet, choral work, art, dance and drama.

A fundamental and vital feature of the center is the involvement of the parents. Many of them actually take classes with their children to better understand their needs outside the classroom.

Most of the students attend group classes that cost 50¢ a week. It will be reduced to 10¢ in needy cases, but that 10¢ is scrupulously collected. Some sacrifice is demanded of the parents to impress upon them the importance of the undertaking. The children, therefore, are not placed in the role of charity recipients. They are made to feel and appreciate the sacrifice and interest of their parents.

Funded from private donations, foundation and state grants, The Harlem School of the Arts is expanding. They have taken over a group of adjacent garages, where the second best ballet stage in the world has already been completed. (The best is at the Lincoln Center of the Performing Arts in New York City.) The center is nonsectarian and racially integrated although, due to its location, about 90% of the pupils are Negro.

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FIVE THOUSAND DOLLAR INDIVIDUAL AWARD 1968

THE REVEREND RALPH W. BEITING

Lancaster, Kentucky





Nominated by: State Senator James H. Donovan Chadwick, New York





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The School of the Arts is one of five centers in the United States where the Suzuki method of teaching is available. Briefly, this method recommends starting children at three or four years of age in basic rhythm and the learning of notes. For example, almost immediately the child is given a violin, a perfect miniature of a normal instrument. As the child grows, the violin grows with him. Classes are limited to a maximum of six students. At least one of a pupil's parents must participate in his classes and supervise home study.

Suzuki, a world renowned Japanese violinist, has himself visited The Harlem School of the Arts, which has attracted the sympathetic attention of a number_of_world famous_artists. Leontyne Price held a fund raising concert on its behalf. Ballanchine designed the ballet stage. Mrs. Vladimir Horowitz is a vice chairman of the school. Marianne Moore is an enthusiastic supporter, along with many more too numerous to mention. There also have been a number of tiny donations from community residents that are justly treasured by the school as the greatest measure of its success.

Through the arts then, The Harlem School of the Arts has placed a touch of beauty into the lives of children who otherwise might never have had the opportunity. And unlike many similar programs, it has a philosophy and structure resting on bedrock.









Executive Director
Miss Dorothy Maynor

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Mr. Edward T. Coll Hartford, Connecticut

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Mrs. Laura McClure

Mrs. O. W. McGhee Huntington, West Virginia

Mrs. Florence May Rice New York, New York Group Runners-Up (Finalists)

Emergency Homes, Inc.

The Mission Rebels in Action, Inc. San Francisco, California

Mothers Against Crime and Delinquency New Rochelle, New York

South Arsenal Neighborhood Development, Inc. Hartford, Connecticut

NOMINATION PROCEDURES

Lane Bryant invites nominations for the 1969 Volunteer Awards for outstanding service in the United States. Any individual or organization engaged in voluntary and unpaid activities benefiting the community, state or nation is eligible for nomination. May 1, 1969 is the deadline for work performed during the year of 1968.

All nominations received by Lane Bryant will be screened and investigated by a panel of faculty members from Long Island University.

Two Award winners will then be selected by the 1969 Awards Committee. One Award will be presented to an individual and one to a group for the most outstanding voluntary contributions to their communities during the past year. Each winner will be presented with five thousand dollars and a plaque commemorating his achievement.

The final choice of the winners rests entirely with the Awards Committee which varies from year to year, but which is always composed of prominent citizens interested in furthering community progress. Included among the members of the 1969 Awards Committee are: Mrs. Dorothy B. Chandler, vice president, corporate relations, <u>Times Mirror</u>; Dr. Kenneth B. Clark, president, Metropolitan Applied Research Center, Inc.; Mark O. Hatfield, United States Senator, Oregon; Richard J. Hughes, Governor, State of New Jersey; and Lawrence E. Spivak, producer, <u>Meet The Press.</u>

Official nomination forms must be used for all nominations. A summary of the candidate's accomplishments not exceeding 400 words is required. Clippings, pamphlets and other supporting material may also be submitted.

For information and nomination blanks, write to the Lane Bryant Volunteer Awards, 465 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York 10017.

The Awards for work performed in 1968 will be presented in December, 1969.

THE TWENTIETH LANE BRYANT VOLUNTEER AWARDS

Presented on December 5, 1968 • The Shoreham Hotel • Washington, D.C.

eople power. That is precisely what the Lane Bryant Volunteer Awards stand for. And that is what the countless thousands of Americans who volunteer to do what must be done in their communities stand for. They employ the power of people for the benefit of people—all people.

This is the twentieth year that the Lane Bryant Volunteer Awards have sought out those justly angry Americans—young and old, black and white—who employ the power of controlled anger to change the malignity of their environment by peaceful and constructive effort.

Over the years, nominations have been received from every walk of life, including hundreds of individuals serving in the nation's highest offices. Most Americans have come to realize that the volunteer is a vital link between the affluent and healthy, and those in need—culturally, physically, mentally or financially.

The nominees for the Awards were all outstanding in their contributions to community life, and it was with the greatest care and deliberation that the Awards Committee made its final decision. Ironically, the winners reflect the opposite poles of the same problem, poverty. While the group winner is serving the need of those caught in a vast urban complex, the individual winner is giving hope to those lost souls in bleak rural mountains.

While most nominations made are commendable, a careful screening process has been set up to determine the merits of each candidate for the Awards. A panel of faculty members from Long Island University first applies tested criteria of exclusion, followed by preliminary positive examinations. This process reduces the number of candidates to approximately 20% of the total, and they are called Citationists, or active candidates for the Awards. Since the work of the Citationists is highly meritorious, the University must then apply even more exacting criteria which include community need, scope, use of resources, means used, and effectiveness and magnitude of obstacles encountered and overcome. A smaller group of carefully screened candidates is then presented to a distinguished panel of judges for final selection.

Nominations may be repeated. Because volunteers spend years—even lifetimes—accomplishing their goals, their work may reach a pinnacle in later years which the Awards Committee considers worthy of the \$5,000 Award.

The cause of the volunteer is profoundly idealistic, but the volunteer himself is usually extremely practical. He has to be. This year's winners, for example, were successful in their efforts because they were intelligent, persuasive, ingenious and indomitable. They succeeded in involving others in the jobs—other people who wanted to help and the very people who were being helped.

The stories in this booklet represent only a few of the volunteer efforts performed in the United States each year by dedicated men and women who have devoted their time and energies to enriching the lives of others.

Fireplace chimneys silhouetted against fall foliage, residues from last winter's fires...city "streets" that defy passage by any but the sturdiest jeep...rickety cabins of one, two or (luxury) three rooms without running water, toilet facilities or decent heating...eight children sleeping in one bed in the same room with their parents...chickens on and under the bed of a sick woman because rats were eating them in the coops...sunken cheeks in toothless faces...barefoot babies...phalanxes of flies endlessly buzzing, buzzing, alighting on humans and animals alike...every other home an automobile graveyard, silent symbols of utter despair...winter winds blasting through gaping spaces between boards and broken windows...three acres of land for a family—all stone under six inches of earth...outhouses feeding into streams for water supplies...the stench of poverty.

his is Appalachia, where the median income in a four-county area as big as Rhode Island is slightly more than \$500 a year. And yet, despite the above, the mountain people maintain a fierce pride and a fundamental willingness to learn buried deep within a sharp distrust born of years of failure.

Eighteen years ago Reverend Ralph Beiting came into this area—not to press his faith, but to give faith and a better place on earth. He began slowly, due not only to lack of funds, but also to hostility toward his religion.

Father Beiting's first venture was to obtain clothing and shoes to give to anyone who needed them. He quickly discovered that the proud mountain people do not want charity; they wish to pay something, however little. Today there is a central warehouse for clothing and building materials which are distributed through several "stores." Dresses, for example, sell from a dollar *down*, not up.

Reverend Beiting is the founder and president of the Christian Appalachian Project in Eastern Kentucky, a non-church affiliated social action group that seeks to show the world how private citizens can combat poverty. Its basic function is to re-utilize Appalachia's remaining resources and to help the mountain people realize their potential.

CAP volunteers have literally carved--out of useless forests, underbrush and gullies in the mountains--camps for children with cabins and man-made lakes, a dairy farm, a greenhouse complex, Christmas tree plantation, machine and woodworking shop, another man-made lake for irrigation and water supply. The advantage of camps for underprivileged children with absolutely no other form of entertainment available to them is obvious. Even for those with money there is little to do in the area. There is only one movie house and three outdoor theatres in the whole four-county region!

The vocational accomplishments have even deeper values than simply providing work for a few families. For example, Reverend Beiting introduced cucumber growing to the area. He arranged for a local pickle manufacturer to guarantee a market for every cucumber grown. The local farmers watched suspiciously while CAP workers planted, grew and sold their entire crop. The next year, fifty families followed suit, each averaging about \$250 in eight weeks. Tobacco farming brings in little more for ten months labor.

The list of specific and general accomplishments made by Father Beiting is far too long to enumerate. No portrait would be complete, however, without reference to the equally profound effect Reverend Beiting has had on thousands of volunteers, drawn predominantly from the ranks of middle class students. Over 2,000 individuals a year come to work 16 and 18 hour days on the various projects currently in progress. They vary in age and ability from young teenagers to engineering experts from eastern universities. Many come out of idle curiosity, all stay far longer than anticipated, inspired by the raw need of their services and the enthusiasm of Father Beiting. He has given them an opportunity to channel their youthful idealism into hard work and accomplishment instead of frustrating, negative protest.

Thus, in upgrading material life in Appalachia, Reverend Beiting has built a bridge, a spiritual bridge, between the well-to-do and the poor, young and old, educated and ignorant. He has brought hope, where hope had been abandoned. He has breathed life into a moribund society, stagnating with failure and neglect.

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NOMINATION FOR LANE BRYANT VOLUNTEER AWARDS FOR 1969

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Deadline for entries... May 1, 1969

RULES FOR NOMINATIONS FOR THE LANE BRYANT VOLUNTEER AWARDS FOR 1969

(Two Awards are presented annually, one to a group and one to an individual.)

- other organizations under the overall guidance of paid executive directors may not qualify. However, sub-divisions of such agency programs . which are volunteer in nature and under volunteer direction and operation may be nominated. Any salaried activity must be clearly indicated 1. Individuals or groups who are paid for the activities for which they are nominated do not qualify. Voluntary, non-profit social agencies or
- Volunteer activities must be performed within the United States and Puerto Rico.
- No employees or immediate relatives of employees or persons otherwise closely affiliated with Lane Bryant, Inc. and its various associated stores or with the screening organization, Long Island University, may submit entries.
- All entries and manuscripts become the property of Lane Bryant, Inc. and are not returnable. All entries must be mailed with sufficient by
- postage. Be sure to give the three references requested on the nomination form.

 Pertinent supplementary material may be submitted, consisting of no more than 30 pages. Any material submitted may be used by Lane of Bryant, Inc. in publicity or advertising or by any publication obtaining permission from Lane Bryant, Inc.

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 Individuals or groups who have received citation certificates in the past may be nominated again for the final Awards. Such nominations and additional materials describing volunteer activity in the current year preceding the nomination.

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- N.Y. 10017, before midnight May 1, 1969. (If any further information is desired, call 212-532-0200, Extension 367, New York City.)

AWARDS FOR WORK PERFORMED DURING 1968 WILL BE PRESENTED IN DECEMBER 1969 **DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES...MAY 1, 1969**

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ANE BRYANT AWARDS COMMITTEE/ 465 FIFTH AVENUE/ NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10017 MAIL THIS PART WITH NOMINATION STATEMENT—DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES MAY 1, 1969 I hereby nominate—Group ☐ Individual ☐ (check one) : CIA-RDP 2002/11/15

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A STATEMENT OF APPROXIMATELY 400 WORDS DESCRIBING THE NOMINEE'S ACTIVITIES AND THEIR IMPACT ON THE COMMUNITY AND THOSE BEING SERVED MUST ACCOMPANY THIS NOMINATION FORM. On the reverse side of this form, list the names of three persons or organizations closely familiar with the accomplishments of the candidate, not including the candidate himself, members of his or her organization, or relatives.

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